ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method and system for providing assistance in recreating a digital image file on a user computer from information obtained over a communication network retained at a remote location with respect to the image file. Images store on a user computer are so as to obtain a low resolution digital image files of high resolution digital image files stored on the storage device along with storage parameters of the high resolutions digital image files. This information is used in the reconstruction of the user image data base.